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Mrs. Manley & Member of the Ban Bell Club

I know you ^{all} have been waiting

to hear from me, I am well and getting along fine. I know you are quite surprised to no that I am so far away from home. I am out here at an Aviation Base. Of course the only thing that I regret is not playing bill with the fellows. I have not seen any colored paper since the first of Sept, I really would like to know how the fellows are doing. We only stayed

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at Camp Meade for four days, we left Meade Friday night and arrived here at about 9.30 Tues. night (last night). We stopped in these city's for a little training, Akron Ohio, Chicago, Kansas City, Topeka, New Mexico, Douglas Ariz., Tucson Ariz., Phoenix Ariz., Bakersfield Cal, Fresno Cal. We are 10 miles from Sacramento Cal. This really is a putty place and I do like it. They have a base ball team here as I was told, I think they are playing this Sun. so I think I will try and play with them. There are 350 men in my company, I have not been assigned to anything as yet, so I don't

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no just what they^{*} are going to give me. I really hope that you all beat the Grays. Of course if you all win the pennant I don't think I will be able to come up to see it, because I am to far away. San Francisco is only 90 miles from here. I was told this was a non combat outfit so that sounds all right with me, ha ha, ha.

There is only one thing that was kind of hard for me at first and that was getting up at 5' in the morning, I am used to

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that now. There is no way for
you to get lonesome, because
there is to many soldiers around
here. Well I must come to a
close, the Company Commander has
just called us. Hoping to hear from
you soon.

Very truly

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